



United States
Department of
Agriculture

FSA Committee Election

Nominate and vote for farmers of your choice

Important Dates

January 3, 2000

Request nomination forms from the FSA county office, and begin nominations.

January 21, 2000

Last day to file nomination forms.

February 24, 2000

Ballots mailed to eligible voters.

March 6, 2000

Last day to return voted ballots.

April 1, 2000

Elected committee members and alternates take office.

You and Your Committees

County FSA committees administer FSA farm programs at county and area levels. County FSA committees are elected by eligible producers.

Vote

The election of responsible agricultural producers is important to ALL farmers and ranchers. Farm programs administered by county FSA committees include:

- commodity price support loans and payments;
- establishment of allotments, yields, and marketing quotas;
- farmer loans;
- conservation programs;
- incentive, indemnity, and disaster payments for some commodities;
- other farm disaster assistance.

Who Can Vote

Farm owners, operators, tenants, and sharecroppers of legal voting age can vote if they are eligible to take part in any FSA program. Check with your FSA county office for voting requirements.

Nominations

A nomination form signed by the nominee is needed to nominate a farmer-candidate. The form includes a statement that the candidate agrees to serve if elected.

Nomination forms must be received in the county office by January 21.

Almost anyone eligible to take part in a county FSA program may be a candidate for the committee.

Don't Miss Out on Voting

The 2000 election will end March 6. Ballots will be mailed to voters by February 24 and must be returned to the FSA county office or postmarked by March 6.

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